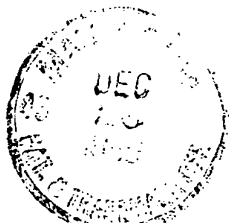


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ABSTRACT

A method and means are provided for extending the life of carbon brakes on aircraft. The method comprises  
5 measuring the speed of the aircraft and the intensity of braking and comparing these to predetermined maximum values for each. If the values are both lower than the maximum values, one or more of the brakes are selectively disabled.